

State of Hawaii
DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES
Division of Forestry and Wildlife
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
April 13, 2007

Chairperson and Members
Board of Land and Natural Resources
State of Hawaii
Honolulu, Hawaii

Land Board Members:

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF AN AGREEMENT FOR GRANTS, SUBSIDIES, AND PURCHASES OF SERVICES BETWEEN THE BOARD OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES AND THE NORTH KOHALA COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTER.

SUMMARY:

This Board Submittal requests approval of an Agreement for Grants, Subsidies, and Purchases of Services between the Board of Land and Natural Resources and the North Kohala Community Resource Center for the purpose of disbursement of approved public funds to the North Kohala Community Resource Center to build and establish the Hawaii Wildlife Center as the primary qualified facility providing medical and husbandry care for sick, injured, and orphaned native wildlife

BACKGROUND:

The Board through the Department of Land and Natural Resources is the duly authorized agency within the State of Hawaii with the statutory (HRS Title 12, chapters and sections therein) and constitutional (Article XI) responsibility for the management and conservation of wildlife in the State of Hawaii. The State of Hawaii currently lacks qualified facilities to provide medical and husbandry care for sick, injured and orphaned native wildlife. Disbursement of funds for the establishment of the North Kohala Community Resource Center's Hawaii Wildlife Center will provide the State such a facility. Release of \$500,000.00 of capital improvement program (CIP) grant monies has been approved by the governor's office contingent upon DLNR entering into an agreement or contract with the North Kohala Community Resource Center, Hawaii Wildlife Center.

DISCUSSION:

Establishment of the North Kohala Community Resource Center's Wildlife Rehabilitation

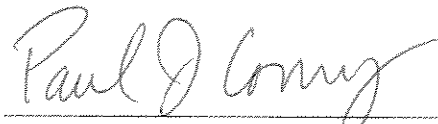
Center will address the need to: (a) provide medical and husbandry care for sick, injured and orphaned native wildlife; (b) provide public outreach and emergency response resources for both natural and man-made disasters such as avian disease outbreaks and contaminant spills; (c) provide educational resources for both conservation education and Hawaiian cultural preservation programs; (d) provide a place for volunteerism in conservation, education, cultural and mentoring and training programs.

Wildlife rehabilitation will be conducted in accordance with the laws and rules of the State of Hawaii, ordinances of the appropriate Counties of the State of Hawaii and with Federal laws and regulations.

RECOMMENDATION:

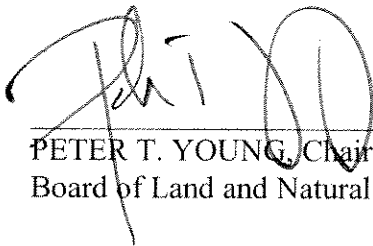
That the Board authorize the Chairperson to execute an Agreement For Grants, Subsidies, and Purchases of Services with the North Kohala Community Resource Center subject to:
Approval as to form of the Grant Agreement by the Attorney General's office.

Respectfully submitted,



PAUL J. CONRY, Administrator
Division of Forestry and Wildlife

APPROVED FOR SUBMITTAL:



PETER T. YOUNG, Chairperson
Board of Land and Natural Resources